

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*).—The question of shifting the hostel to that building was taken up only after the framing of the budget.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*).—But the Chief Engineer stated that the Government would suffer a great loss. Was this information got only just now?

Mr. V. K. Aravindhaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*).—Government had realised that this building was not in a good condition, and that sooner or later it would certainly have to be repaired; but the use to which it has to be put to was not decided. Then the question of shifting the hostel came up for consideration and it was considered advisable to take this opportunity to repair the building and to shift the Christian Hostel before the reopening of the College.

Grant was put and carried.

Rs. 240 under "36—Miscellaneous—A—Durbar Hall—Miscellaneous".

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar (*Secretary to Government*).—Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 240 under '36—Miscellaneous—A—Durbar Hall—Miscellaneous'. This is required to repair and paint some of the rattan chairs of the Durbar Hall. The original idea was to auction them away, but it was found that if they were repaired they could be used for some more years. There is no provision for this in the current year's budget. Savings also are not available for reappropriation. An additional allotment of Rs. 240 is therefore necessary.

Grant was put and carried.

Rs. 1,000 by transfer from "2—Agriculture—6—Maintenance of Gardens" to "20—Education—2—Collegiate Education".

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—I request for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 by transfer from '2—Agriculture—6—maintenance of Gardens—other charges' to '20—Education—2—Collegiate Education—Field Games Allowance.' This amount is rendered absolutely necessary because the very small allotment for the purposes of games is quite insufficient and it will be very undesirable that games activities should be held up to a great extent if further allotment is not given. The amount is to be met by transfer from another

item of expenditure proposed to be incurred, that is, for laying out of the gardens.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*).—I oppose it on two grounds. First reason is—this expenditure could have been anticipated at the time last budget was framed. I find from the last budget that a sum of Rs. 2,500 was provided for 1111 and that was the revised estimate also. There was no reason why a reduced amount should be provided for 1112. My opinion is it could have been anticipated last year and if that was done there would have been no necessity for asking for a supplementary grant now. It is only when expenditure cannot be anticipated that supplementary grants are asked.

The second reason is that in the Resolution which I moved last session I had pointed out that for the next five years the expenditure on college education should be limited and more and more funds should be set apart for village libraries and the principle of this resolution has been accepted. In spite of this, the Government are providing for additional expenditure during the course of the year. This cannot be allowed. Of course, I have no objection, if they can find corresponding savings elsewhere in the vote "collegiate education".

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—I have already pointed out that this amount is to be transferred from another item of expenditure to be incurred on the college itself.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*).—In that case I withdraw my second objection.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—According to the Hon'ble Member's position what the Government have got to do is to provide lavishly for all items of expenditure. In view of the repeated expression of the wishes of this House that expenditure on collegiate education should be curtailed, Government tried to see how far this item could be curtailed. We actually found that the amount provided was not sufficient and this is for a matter which I hope the Hon'ble Members will not discourage.

Grant was put and carried.

Rs. 1,000 under "1—Land Revenue—Law Charges—(Cranganur)".

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*).—I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 under '1—Land